

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on lines 6-7 of page 1 of the specification with the following paragraph:

Cross reference is made to the following applications: ~~DEP 670~~ U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 10/606,401 entitled "ASSEMBLY TOOL FOR MODULAR JOINTS", and ~~DEP 654~~ U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 10/606,303 entitled "MODULAR TAPERED REAMER FOR BONE PREPARATION AND ASSOCIATED METHOD" filed concurrently herewith which are incorporated herein by reference.